



DATE: April 13, 2016

AGENDA ITEM # 5

TO: Parks & Recreation Commission
FROM: Manny A. Hernandez, Staff Liaison
SUBJECT: Discussion on proposed Grant Park mural

BACKGROUND

At the March 9 Parks and Recreation Commission regular meeting a recommendation for Commission support was requested during the Public Comments portion of the meeting. The Parks and Recreation Commission requested this item be discussed at a future meeting.

DISCUSSION

A proposal for a mural project at the Grant Park Community Center was presented by Monica Waldman (Public Arts Commissioner) and Lori Nock (Los Altos High School Art Department). The proposed mural would be placed on one of the outside walls of one of the Community Center buildings. This could be a project that is re-done each year as part of a contest for local high school or resident high school students, changing the theme each year.

Grant Park Community Center is preferred due to its multiple uses as a park and community center and the ability to place the mural on a wall that would not be facing the street. This facility is also an opportunity to spruce up the structure and place art in a south Los Altos location. One potential mural idea was included in the presentation.

The Parks and Recreation Commission will discuss this proposed project and the potential for future Parks and Recreation Commission recommendation or follow up from Waldman and Nock or the Public Arts Commission. The Public Arts Commission has not yet taken action to recommend this project.